

SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION PUBLIC NOTICE

The Central Coast Water Board is currently reviewing a Clean Water Act section 401 Water Quality Certification application for the project described below. We encourage public comments on the proposed project and will take comments into consideration when taking action on the application. You may submit written comments on this project to:

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
Attention: 401 Coordinator
OR

centralcoast@waterboards.ca.gov
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Project Applicant: Santa Barbara County Flood Control District – Seth Shank

Applicant's Agent: Self Representing

Project Name: Carpinteria Salt Marsh Routine Maintenance

Receiving Water: Santa Monica Creek, Franklin Creek, and the Pacific Ocean

City/County: Carpinteria / Santa Barbara

Public Notice: December 11, 2019 – January 1, 2020

Project Description:

The purpose of the proposed project is to remove sediment from Santa Monica and Franklin Creeks to allow for flood protection.

The proposed project activities include:

- Removing sediment from 1,500 feet of the creeks, beginning at the UPRR bridge and moving downstream;
- Establishing instream sediment traps in both creeks;
- Using a crane with a dragline bucket to remove sediment to four feet lower than the top of the concrete channel;
- Removing approximately 3,000 to 20,000 cubic yards of sediment from each creek;
- Storing the sediment temporarily on the access road for dewatering; and
- Disposing of the sediment as beach nourishment by trucking it to the terminus of Ash Avenue.

Proposed Mitigation:

Preserving 6.3 acres of streambed.

The Santa Barbara County Flood Control District plans to file an Environmental Impact Report in 2020.